1. National Highways
2. State Highways
3. Major District Roads
4. Other District Roads
5. Village Roads.

(c) Constitutionally, the Government of India is responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways only. All roads other than National Highways are essentially the responsibility of the State Govt, concerned. As regards National Highways in Delhi and Uttar Pradesh, no road has been categorised as VIP road.

(d) to (g) Do not arise.

Wayside Amenities along the National Highways in Tamil Nadu

3038. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have evolved any scheme for setting up of Wayside Amenities along the National highways, especially in Tamil Nadu;

(b) how many places have been chosen in Tamil Nadu during the year and details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that Madurai district is not chosen in Tamil Nadu; and

(d) whether Govt will consider it in next year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER); (a) Yes, Sir. The Central Government has an on-going scheme, both in the Government and Private Sector, for setting up passenger-oriented wayside amenities along the National Highways in the country, including Tamil Nadu.

(b) to (d) Under the Government Scheme, there is one place on National Highway No. 7 at Sattur in Tamil Nadu. Under the Private Sector Scheme, such facilities are to be provided at one point each on *ihe* following stretches of National Highways in Tamil Nadu.

(i) Madras-Dindigul, NH-45

(ii) Bangalore-Madurai, NH-7

(iii) Madurai-Kanyakumari, NH-7

(iv) Krishnagiri-Ranipet, NH-46

(v) Salem-Coimbatore-Cochin, NH-47

Construction of Cargo Berths at Tuticorin

3039. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for construction of Cargo Berths at Tuticorin (Tamil Nadu) during the year is under Government's consideration;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor, and whether Government propose to consider the project in the next year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) and (b) The proposal for construction of cargo berth at Tuticorin, at an estimated cost of Rs. 28.76 crores, is under consideration of the Government.

(c) Does not arise.

Demands of the Truck Operators Union

3040. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps so far have been taken to meet the demand of the Truck Operators Union (AIMTC);

(b) details of the demands and action taken in this regard;

(c) whether the Ministry has any contingency plans to avoid any further strike by the AIMTC; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) A statement is annexed *(See* below).

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

List of Demands which have been accepted Fully or Partially by Government and Action Taken

1. *Path Kar & Octroi*

With regard to abolition of octroi a Committee of six Chief Ministers of West Bengal,